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Dear Licensed Contractor,

Effective 10/1/2023, all General, Residential, Specialty, Mechanical & Handyman Construction Contractors professional license expiration dates will become 9/30 of even-numbered years, as will the expiration dates for residential contractor endorsement holders.

Please note, the expiration date for electrical administrator, mechanical administrator, home inspector, and underground storage tank worker licenses will remain the same as they are now. It is <u>only</u> the expiration date for Construction Contractor professional licenses and residential endorsement holders that will change. Please see below for specifics on how this will work based on your license type(s).

For Specialty and Mechanical Contractors:

Your new or renewed license will be active until 9/30/2024 and you will need to renew it at that time.

We anticipate posting renewal applications no later than 9/1/2024 and notices will be sent to your email or mailing address of record. Your renewal fees will remain at \$250 but you will gain an extra nine (9) months in this licensing period, or \$125 if your license was issued on or after 1/1/2023.

Please note that, as always, you are required to maintain bonding and insurance during this time. If you require a new license certificate to show this extended expiration date, please contact our office after 11/1/2023 at license@alaska.gov

<u>For General, Residential & Handyman Contractors and Residential Contractor Endorsement Holders:</u>

As your license is scheduled to expire 12/31/2024, no changes are being made to your license expiration date. Renewal applications will be available no later than 9/1/2024 and notices will be sent to your email or mailing address of record prior to that date. However, upon renewal, your expiration date will be 9/1/2026 (rather than 12/31/2026). While we encourage you to renew prior to 9/30/2024, your license will not lapse until 1/1/2025 this one time. (In future renewals, you will need to renew prior to 9/30 of even-numbered years.)

For this one licensing cycle only, your renewal fees will be pro-rated as we recognize your renewal period (either this round or next, depending on when you renew) will be shortened by three (3) months. If your license was issued on or before 12/31/2023, your renewal fee will be \$125. If your license is issued on or after 1/1/2024, your renewal fee will be \$62.

For all:

Why are the specialty and mechanical contractors paying full renewal fees while the general, residential, and handyman contractor and residential endorsement holder fees are being prorated? This is because the specialty and mechanical contractors are gaining 9 months of licensure in addition to the 24-month licensing cycle they're currently in and the 24-month licensing cycle they will go in to in 2024 (i.e., 57 months total); whereas the general, residential, and handyman contractors are losing 3 months of licensure from the 24-month licensing cycle they're currently in and the 24-month licensing cycle they will go in to in 2024 (i.e., 45 months total) – so it's to ensure fairness to everyone.

Information regarding this change will be communicated to the Division of Insurance, the Department of Labor and Workforce Development, and the professional licensing Investigations unit. Please contact our office at license@alaska.gov if you have any questions.